

House Bill 543

By: Representatives Lunsford of the 110th, Smith of the 113th, and Cox of the 102nd

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Chapter 5 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
2 athletic trainers, so as to amend the definition of "athletic injury"; so as to provide for
3 conditions under which an athletic injury occurs; to provide for related matters; to repeal
4 conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

7 Chapter 5 of Title 43 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to athletic trainers,
8 is amended by revising paragraph (1) of Code Section 43-5-1, relating to definitions
9 regarding athletic trainers, as follows:

10 "(1) 'Athletic injury' means any injury sustained by a person as a result of such person's
11 participation in exercises, sports, games, or ~~recreational activities, or any activities~~
12 recreation requiring physical strength, agility, flexibility, range of motion, speed, or
13 stamina ~~without respect to where or how the injury occurs~~ or any comparable injury
14 which prevents such person's participation in such activities. ~~Nothing in this paragraph~~
15 ~~shall be construed to expand the scope of practice of an athletic trainer beyond the~~
16 ~~determination of the advising and consenting physician as provided for in paragraph (2)~~
17 ~~of this Code section~~ Nothing in this paragraph shall be construed to require an athletic
18 trainer to provide services in a specific location or type of location."

19 SECTION 2.

20 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.